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Remarks/Arguments:

Claims 1, 2 and 9 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Kuwayama (U.S. Patent No. 6,133,562). Claims 6, 10 and 20, however, were indicated as being allowable if rewritten into independent form. In addition, claims 3-5, 7, 8, 11-19, 21 and 22 were allowed. Accordingly, claims 1, 2 and 9 have been cancelled and the objected to claims have been rewritten. Allowance of the above-identified application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted

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